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## Challenger Center plans underway

### Elementary students to benefit

by Tracy Lykins  
Staff Writer

Busloads of elementary students will soon be traveling to Northwest's campus to be astronauts for a day. As they enter the building, they will observe a dome ceiling painted with a sky scene with seven backlit stars to represent the seven astronauts killed in the Challenger disaster. Television monitors will also be set up in the lobby so videos about NASA can be viewed.

President Dean Hubbard and

Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Robert Culbertson met with principal architect Becky Cotton Zahner of Mackey Associates, Challenger Center Mission Site Coordinator Elizabeth Thomas and Challenger Center Vice President of Educational Technology Peter Combs to discuss plans for the center to be placed on campus.

The first floor of the University Conference Center will be remodeled to accommodate the Challenger Center.

Thirty-six students will be split

into two groups. One group of 18 will become astronauts inside the space station, according to Combs. The students may then continue the Challenger mission, intercept Haley's comet or accept a mission to return to the moon. The other group might be checking the oxygen supply to the space station, working in an isolation chamber, checking chemicals, working in telescience and remote robotics, testing plants being grown in the greenhouse, collecting rocks, assembling a probe, analyzing space charts or observing data coming into the space station.

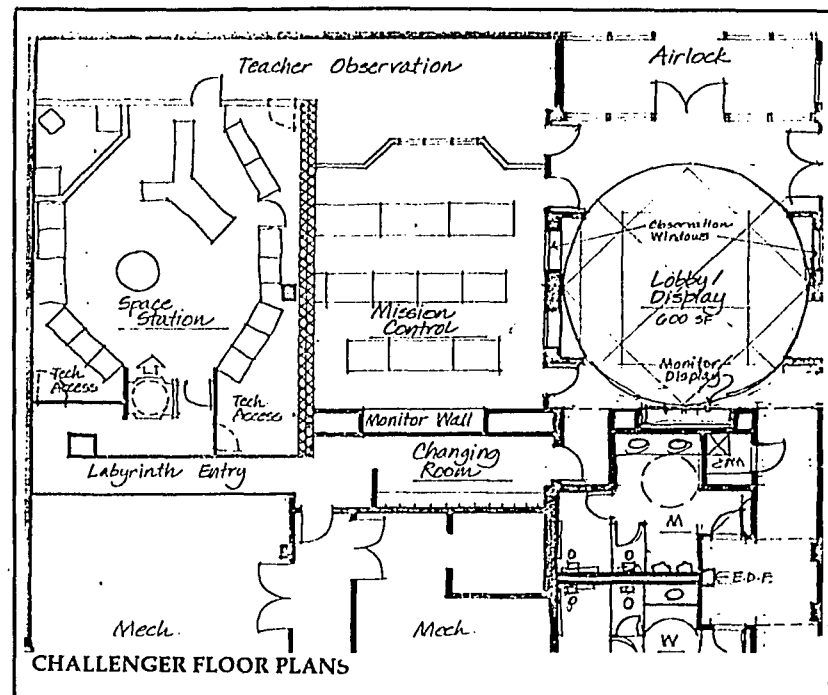
"It's a communication team," Combs said. "It establishes communication between all these teams."

After about 45 minutes, the two teams switch duties. "By the end of the mission the simulated probe intercepts Haley's comet...or the space craft sets down on the lunar surface," Combs said.

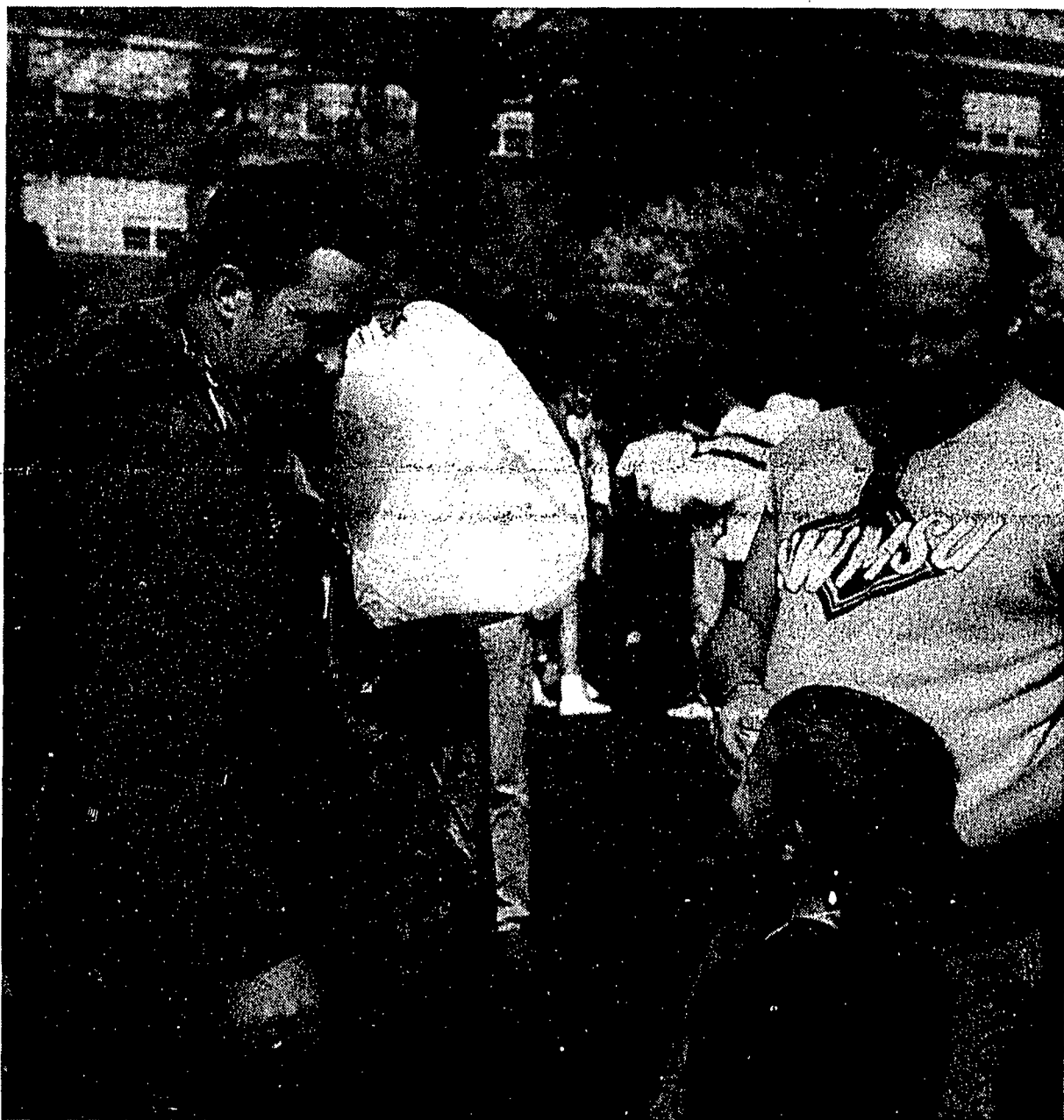
"Students get a new insight of how science and technology work to solve problems," Combs added.

Northwest's center will be only

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## FREEFALLING



GREETING THE CROWD- Master Sgt. Mike Rodgers talks to a child who witnessed his parachute jump last Wednesday. Master Sgt. Rodgers made the jump to promote the student organization the Northwest Skydivers. (Photo by Asa Walters)

### Education a must

## House debates tax increase

by Laura Pierson  
Editor in Chief

University President Dean Hubbard was among the educators gathered in Jefferson City yesterday, May 1, to lend support to a proposed tax increase for education.

Lawmakers are drawing battle lines on the Missouri House floor over two different bills supporting higher education. A bill supported by Rep. Bob Griffin, Cameron, calls for a \$600 million tax increase while an opposing bill sponsored by Rep. Timothy Kelley, Savannah, would raise \$200 million in taxes.

If passed, the Griffin bill would be the largest tax increase in Missouri history. It would provide nearly \$300 million to institutions of higher education as opposed to \$60 million provided by Kelley's.

Hubbard said he would like to see the \$600 million bill clear the legislative hurdle and is cautious-

ly optimistic that it will.

After speaking with Kelley, Hubbard said the reforms in both bills are nearly the same.

"The provisions are virtually identical. Tim (Kelley) told me that himself," Hubbard said.

Opponents to the bill include Gov. John Ashcroft who is supporting an alternative \$200 million plan sponsored by Kelley. Ashcroft praised Kelley's plan saying it is "a realistic package that is a monumental step toward establishing meaningful reforms that will lead to real school improvements."

The Kelley bill includes educational reforms Ashcroft wants and which Griffin and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education oppose.

According to a statement released from his office, the governor said, "Speaker Griffin intends to quench the thirst for educational improvement by

drowning the people in a tidal wave of taxes. I will not accept; and the people will not approve a record tax increase with only the mirage of education reform."

The statement says Griffin's bill would increase personal taxes by 25 percent and business taxes by 17 percent, making Missouri too expensive in which to live and operate a business.

Hubbard said that by listening to Griffin, he understood taxes would increase for higher income families and corporations but would be lower for the poorer.

Griffin's bill would have to be approved by voters. Kelley's bill could be passed by legislation since it is below constitutional limit for raising taxes without voter approval.

Rep. Everett Brown, Maryville, supports the Griffin bill. He said, "I've got reservations about (amendments to) the bill, but I supported it in committee."

### Invitation extended four years ago

## Ashcroft to address seniors

Missouri Gov. John Ashcroft will deliver Northwest Missouri State University's spring commencement address at the 10:30 a.m. ceremony, Saturday, May 18, in Lamkin Gym.

In doing so, he accepted an invitation extended to him nearly four years ago by then Student Senate President Christy Boyd, Chillicothe. On Aug. 17, 1987, Ashcroft was on the Northwest campus to officially "switch on" Northwest's Electronic Campus before a crowd of 3,000 people, includ-

ing 1,250 first-time freshmen, their parents, returning students, faculty, staff and friends of the University.

At that event staged in front of the Administration Building, Boyd (now Christy Boyd Cunningham, '89) spoke on behalf of the student body in welcoming the governor and the new and returning students to campus.

She presented the governor with a Class of 1991

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## Music banned from under the Bell Tower

by Jeff T. Behney  
Staff Writer

The classes in Colden Hall will not hear the music blurring from under the Bell Tower any more. Dr. Robert Culbertson, vice president of Academic Affairs, has put an end to the loud music during regular class time.

Culbertson and a committee made the decision after the last round of complaints from faculty and students who have classes in Colden Hall.

Culbertson said that they regularly received three to four calls complaining about the noise during the Fall Freeze and Spring Thaw which has the campus radio station, KDLX, playing under the Bell Tower.

"The patience of faculty and students ran out," Culbertson said. "We decided it in fairness of the faculty and students."

Jeff Greunke, station manager of KDLX, said Friday, they planned to go on remote while the 1991 Tower yearbooks were

being passed out. Due to the weather conditions, though, the books were passed out in the Union Ballroom.

On Tuesday, the station received a memo stating that Friday would be a trial period with the music.

Greunke then heard of a second memo that was sent out forbidding them to play. Within the memo, it also includes organizations from playing music.

"It has upset me," Greunke said, "Telling us we would have one more chance and then taking that away." Greunke still hasn't received any official notice stating the terms and conditions regarding the music playing.

"We will absolutely allow it out of class time," Culbertson said, "It is very important that events be supported by my office."

Each organization that wants to play music needs to first contact the Academic Affairs Office with the time and place. "We will be glad to arrange it outside of class time," Culbertson said.

## Y.O.U. ticket wins Senate elections

### Seaman proud of end results

by Marsha Hoffman  
Staff Writer

Despite two discrepancies filed against his ticket and a 2.5 percent loss of his own votes, Your Organizations United (Y.O.U.) candidate Adam Seaman was elected Student Senate president Tuesday.

Despite the discrepancies, Y.O.U. candidates were elected to every office except for one junior and one sophomore class representative, won respectively by Jennifer Petermeier and Nicole Wilson.

Before the results were announced, Tom Vansaghi, the current president, called a discrepancy meeting during which all students running for an office had to leave the room. During the discrepancy meeting, Senate voting members decided only one of the two discrepancies was valid.

In the valid discrepancy, Y.O.U.



CONGRATS ALL AROUND- Adam Seaman and other members of the Y.O.U., Your Organization United, ticket celebrate the results of the Student Senate elections held Tuesday. The Y.O.U. ticket won all but two positions on the 1991-92 Student Senate. (Photo by Don Carrick)

member Jenny Schug was penalized three percent of her votes for violating University policy of soliciting door-to-door in the residence halls.

First off, I'm really glad our ticket won," Schug said. "I was disappointed in the way the rules were presented. I was in my hall talking to a majority of the peo-

ple I knew. The students voted for who they wanted on (Senate) and that shouldn't be taken away from the students."

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## OUR VIEW

Higher education  
needs higher taxes

It is high time the state of Missouri starts to put some money where its mouth is as far as education goes.

Our governor has done next to nothing to help the troubled educational institutions across the state. Some politicians like to argue that the money just isn't there, but guess again.

The citizens have the money, but the politicians don't feel like getting it. For too long Missouri politicians have promised low state taxes at the expense of our educational institutions.

Whatever happened to the Missouri Lottery money? The money was supposed to be used in many areas, including education. Instead of helping solve the state's problems it only seems to be adding to them by taking money from Missourians who can't afford to be gambling on a one in a million chance of becoming rich.

Missouri is ranked 14th in annual income, but comes in much lower when it comes time to support education. The state is ranked 24th where educational funding is concerned.

America's greatest resource is its people and they must be educated. If the state doesn't pay now it will cost us all a lot more later.

What is the sense in fighting a continued unemployment problem in the state without making sure the youth are being taught the skills they will need to excel? It doesn't seem to make much sense at all.

It is a lot like fighting fires without doing anything to prevent them. If you can act now to prevent something from happening, why would you wait to deal with a larger problem later?



YOUR CLASS AS FRESHMEN



YOUR CLASS AS SOPHOMORES



YOUR CLASS AS JUNIORS



YOUR CLASS AS SENIORS

What a way to the end the year

## On this campus, butts are out



STROLLER

The last issue of the year. Hardly seems possible, does it? There are so many memorable ways your Stroller could end this 1991 column.

For instance, I could talk about how incredibly fast this year has gone. Seems like only yesterday the upperclassmen were poking fun at incoming freshmen and the rest of us were unable to think about much other than Christmas break. To you freshmen I say, "Come back next year ready to do your share of the poking!"

At times, it seemed graduation was too far away to occupy seniors' minds, but now the moment is near, and juniors can think about taking their places next year.

To every member of the Class of '91, Congratulations!! When you walk into Lamkin May 18, all the years of hard work and frustrations will be replaced with reflections of good times, good friends, the many nights of cramming and 30-page papers... not to mention all the fun along the way.

Just remember your parents will be in attendance for this ceremony, so you may need to

edit your behavior just a bit! Then again, they might as well know what kind of behavioral techniques their children have learned here for free.

To sophomores and juniors, just remember to hang in there. Geez, I've been here since 1918, so when you think you can't go on, just use ol' Stroller as a role model, if you dare!

Personally, your campus hero couldn't be more ready for a break. I've done enough papers, collected enough parking tickets, earned enough average grades, eaten enough pizza and been turned down for enough dates for one year.

I now need the summer to mend my wounded pride (or at least work on my tan.) You have to have priorities, you know.

The only problem now is what I can do to end this year with a bang? You guys have really made it hard to work on something unique. Hey, to the ones who decided they were really bored and put their butt cheeks in the mud and then all over the Bell Tower, that was great!

Thank you for adding a bit of fun to University life since lately it seems everyone is upset about

something.

The smoking ban was enough to put students in an uproar and it was supposedly justified by health concerns.

What was the excuse for cancelling anymore of KDLX Fall Freeze and Spring Thaws?

Oh, I forgot, some teachers didn't like the music "interrupting" their classes. I would venture to guess the music was the only thing keeping some students awake those days.

Is it much better to allow track meets to be announced over the loudspeaker all day long and not let the campus radio station broadcast at the Bell Tower for a mere few hours?

I'm sure a lot of students study to music but never to an announcer over a loudspeaker. Think about it.

I think many agree with me when I say it's unfair to take away two annual events designed to give students a chance to get together, relax and have fun each semester.

On another sour note, I guess there is one goodbye I won't be sad to make. Do you guys have any idea how much each and everyone of us have had to pay

Campus Safety this year simply because they won't give us the parking we deserve as consumers of this University?

To the students who got such great pleasure out of giving fellow students tickets all year and all of the officers who were more than happy to call tow trucks at any hour of the day, night or morning, I can only say I hope someday you all have to go through the same thing, whether it be at a mall or football stadium.

Next time you write out a ticket or have a car towed, think about how much money the average college student makes while in school. Hardly anything. But we can always count on you to care about that, can't we?

On a more serious note, we began this school year with our thoughts turned toward the Persian Gulf and now we can celebrate the soldiers' homecomings.

Let us never forget all the Americans who died in our defense and never let the ones who are returning forget how much they are appreciated.

Have a great summer! Adios!

Talented staff has  
'Deepest shade of soul'Points  
To Ponder

by Laura Pierson  
Editor in chief

Dedicated staff  
dedicates every  
issue to readers

It's said that all good things must come to an end and one good thing is ending for me this week - this is the last issue of the *Missourian* for the '90-'91 academic year.

The paper has gone through many changes this year and I would like to thank everyone who supported us and went out of their way to tell us "good job."

As editor in chief, I was blessed with an extremely talented staff. The editorial board put in 40 to 60 hours a week on each issue. The writers also put many hours into their stories. I know you all gave your best and I want to thank you for that. I think you all truly have "A Deeper Shade of Soul."

The paper will be in very capable hands next year as Kathy Barnes takes over as editor in chief. Look for even greater things from the *Missourian* in '91-'92. Kat, I know you'll do an outstanding job.

Left fielder Don Carrick kept us laughing all year, and he's even funnier in person with a popcorn bowl on his head. I'm sure Don will be back next year by popular demand. Don, remember when I was blue and you put your arm around me and said, "Laura, things could be worse, you could be me?" I'll think of that whenever I'm down.

The photographers captured some beautiful moments on film this year so all of us could experience and remember the emotions of the prayer rallies, Homecoming and other events. Photography editor Brandon Russell picked out some touching photos to grace our pages. I'd like to give a special thanks to Todd for bustin' a move on production nights.

Campus Life touched on many issues pertinent to the college student, safe sex, homelessness and abuse. Features editor Pat Schurkamp sometimes scared us with her "visions," but they were eye-catching and award winning.

News editors Barnes and Traci Todd kept us all abreast of campus happenings. Thanks for covering the most stressful section, ladies. Traci, I'm quite happy you didn't require a pacemaker from it all.

Joe Bowersox, that name could only fit a sports editor. Thanks for all the sweet pickles.

Many people told us they appreciated the Gulf War update. University editor Michelle Larison gave Peter Arnett a run for his money on war coverage.

Copy editor Anita Nish kept a lot of mistakes out of the paper, but Anita, I think you would make a mistake naming your son Dane Nish.

I'd like to thank our advertisers, sales staff and design staff, without them there would be no *Missourian*. Directors Cara Arjes and Michelle Ferguson did a "slick" job.

Cartoonists Andrea Johnson and Dan Shapely did a super job poking fun at campus life as well as prompting thoughts on serious issues.

Gene Morris also gave us many things to think about in his sports and editorial columns. The *Missourian* could not have survived without him this year. Last but not least, thanks to Laura Widmer, our fearless leader and adviser. You are the greatest.

To our readers, every issue was for you. I hope you enjoyed it as much as we enjoyed producing it for you. Have a safe summer.

## Aloha, not goodbye



## Morris Code

by Gene Morris  
Managing Editor

Morris credits  
family, friends  
for success

Several thousand phone calls, over 800 interviews, 200 stories, 168 meetings, 56 newspapers and one truck-load of Pepsi later it is time to say goodbye.

As one of my brother John's songs says, we should never really say goodbye though, but use the Hawaiian's idea. They use the same word for both hello and goodbye, Aloha.

So aloha to you, my friends.

This is the last article I will have in the *Northwest Missourian*. While my days here will soon be gone, the memories I have will live forever.

Things like Don Carrick and Todd Weddle performing on Wednesday nights. Whether it be dressing up in bizarre costumes or lip-synching their favorite songs, the two were always good for some laughs.

People like Laura Pierson, Pat Schurkamp, Joe Bowersox, Michelle Larison and Marsha Hoffman, to name a few, have helped make my last year here a great one. They were always there for me and I really couldn't have made it without them.

While I have often been accused of being an argumentative person, I like to think that I look at the other side of things a lot. I like to look at the side that people try to forget about. I don't really think of it as an argument though, but a more serious discussion.

I have always given 100 percent to the paper. I owe that to the way I was brought up and to my grandfather, Gene Larsen.

When my twin brother and I were born, my parents decided to name us after our grandfathers and since I was two minutes older, I was named after the older grandfather.

He always told me that if a job was worth doing, it was worth doing right the first time. I always tried to be more like him. I guess I always will. He never missed a day of work and I have never missed a day at the newspaper.

I have also been fortunate enough to have the greatest friend in the world, Cary Mathis. His enthusiasm has kept me going, even when I felt like giving up. I have seen him thousands of times and he always has a smile on his face.

Alan Wanninger has also been a terrific friend. He is a very busy person, but he always seems to find time for me, even when I don't always find time for him.

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## LETTERS

## President explains smoking policy

Dear Editor,

I empathize with smokers on campus who are distressed over the recently reported decision by the Cabinet to ban smoking in all campus buildings, except individual residence hall rooms. For seven years I have resisted such a policy in spite of a crescendoing drum beat of protest regarding passive smoke from all segments of the campus community.

Regardless, absent overwhelming evidence that others' freedoms or physical well-being are being compromised, I abhor attempts to impose preferred behaviors or lifestyles on others through the use of policies (as opposed to persuasion). This is particularly true in a university setting where we have educational as well as moral and philosophical reasons to promote and celebrate diversity. However, the passive smoke issue is unique for several reasons.

First, the suggestion that smoking rooms should be provided in each building would be extremely difficult and costly to implement. For example, it was suggested that the University purchase an expensive (\$1,000) piece of equipment to "clean the air" in the Colden Hall lounge. With 45 buildings on campus, 33 of which would have to be outfitted, the minimum cost of such an approach would be \$33,000. Two questions immediately come to mind: Do we want to use scarce equipment dollars for this purpose? And, will the problem still exist after the machines are installed since most of the air handling systems on campus would catch and distribute at least some of the smoke before it could be filtered out? If air handling systems have to be changed, the cost would exceed that spent over the last decade to remove asbestos and to make facilities handicap accessible.

Second, the recent decision by the Environmental Protection Agency to classify passive smoke as a 'Group A carcinogen' challenges the morality of failure to protect the health of non-smokers. According to the American Heart Association, over 53,000 Americans die each year from the effects of second-hand smoke; 8,000 Missourians.

It was suggested in last week's *Northwest Missourian* that there is a Missouri law which requires colleges and universities to provide a smoking lounge in each building. That is incorrect as of this date (with only two weeks left in this legislative session, this could change at any moment). What has happened as of today is that two amendments to a clean air bill have been proposed which would require smoking areas be set aside.

One of the amendments adds, "if cost effective." According to a member of the governor's staff, it is not clear whether or not this regulation would apply to colleges and universities, even if passed and signed by the governor.

In order to help those who will be inconvenienced by the new policy, we will have a series of smoking cessation classes at the beginning of school next fall.

Finally, I want to reiterate my understanding for the frustration caused by addiction. My father smoked for most of his life. Quitting was very difficult for him and only accomplished after he was diagnosed as having an advanced case of emphysema. Watching him con-

vinced me that quitting smoking is very difficult and, therefore, those "hooked" deserve support, not hassle.

Dean L. Hubbard  
President

## Student favors non-smokers' rights

To the editor,

In regard to your article on April 25, "Smoking ban upsets faculty, students," a smoking, non-traditional, commuting student said that the Colden Hall lounge is "the only place I can go to smoke." He said he goes there between classes to talk with friends and smoke. I am also a non-traditional, commuting student and I can barely stand to walk through the Colden Hall lounge because of the incredible amount of smoke and the disgusting stench smoking produces. For me, that lounge is totally unuseable. It is almost impossible to enjoy eating in the Bearcat Den of the Student Union because of the smoke from those who don't care if their smoke comes your way and ruins your meal.

Smokers mistakenly think that smoking is a "right." If this were true, then I believe their "right" to smoke stops where my right to breath smoke-free air begins. If smokers want to endanger their own health that's their choice. But I don't want their second-hand smoke endangering my health. To equate this issue to shaping morals is absurd. I would think that the morals of non-traditional college students would already be formed.

I don't believe there will be too many non-smokers who will be upset by having smoke-free buildings on campus. I applaud this administrative decision to make smoke-free buildings on the campus on Northwest.

Judy Johnson

## Smoking ban taste of things to come

Dear Editor,

Somehow, trouble just has a way of finding me. Since that's the case, I thought I'd share some thoughts with your readers about some issues raised by the smoking ban.

My real concern isn't just the right to smoke; it's the right to be different from the pack (no pun intended). The health issue is certainly a legitimate issue to some, but to many this is just another manifestation of that "I don't like them because they don't like what I like" that is the solid wooden club of intolerance over which the veneer of social concern is laid. In that case, it is a symptom of our egocentrism and intolerance and, as such, is despicable. It is a very short step from that to "I don't like them because they are too fat, too thin, too weak," or God knows what else.

Whatever the motivation of the abolitionists, the possibilities are endless and awesome. What if, for example, the administration decides to mandate fitness training for everybody? The argument could be made that it would not only make us healthier and less likely to pass colds to others: it would also make us better to look at (if

that's what turns you on.)

This logic of improvement and economy, like the primary and secondary smoke logic, can lead to some interesting implications. I, for example, don't drink, but am menaced more by drunk drivers than you are by secondary smoke. Therefore, by this Big Brother logic, anyone who drinks helps put drunk drivers on the road. Thus anybody's drinking menaces me. (The liquor industry could hardly survive on the "drunk driver" business alone.) Conclusion: outlaw drinking for everybody. Ditto for nixing meat-eating, butter-spreading, milk-swilling. It's all vulnerable to the utilitarian fallacy of "If it's good for the majority, it's good for everybody." There is no end to it.

It is certainly true that freedom carries a price with it, namely toleration, unpredictability, and not-a-little risk. The alternative, however cost efficient and nice it may be, is too expensive in other ways. I hope to live and die free to eat red meat, douse it with butter, wash it down with milk (and may be even get fat) and have a puff after the meal until the grim reaper chooses from all these options and takes me away. If society will grant me my vices, I will cheerfully concede to it its vices, distasteful and expensive though they may be to me personally.

That may not be the logic of improvement or economy or conformity, but it certainly is the logic of freedom.

John Hopper  
Professor of philosophy

## Aloha: Morris prefers Hawaiian term

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The person who brought me into the journalism field was an instructor I had a few years ago at Florissant Valley Community College in St. Louis, where I transferred from. Roger Carlson recruited me to write for the paper and before I knew it I was the sports editor there.

He never settled for anything less than my best, and I wouldn't have wanted it any other way.

I also owe a lot to my parents. They have never given up on me, even when I felt like giving up on myself. They have always believed in me and never told me what I could or couldn't become.

They always told me to shoot for the stars because there was nothing I couldn't do if I set my

mind to doing that. I sometimes wondered how true that really was, but now I know.

The last, but certainly not the least, person I need to thank is Jesus. He has given me an ability which has allowed me to talk to hundreds of people and communicate with thousands more. shepherd carries his sheep, he has truly carried me at times this year.

All that I'll ever be comes from him. I see him everywhere. I have seen him in each of the people I have mentioned in this column. He is in their warm smiles, their genuine concern and their laughter.

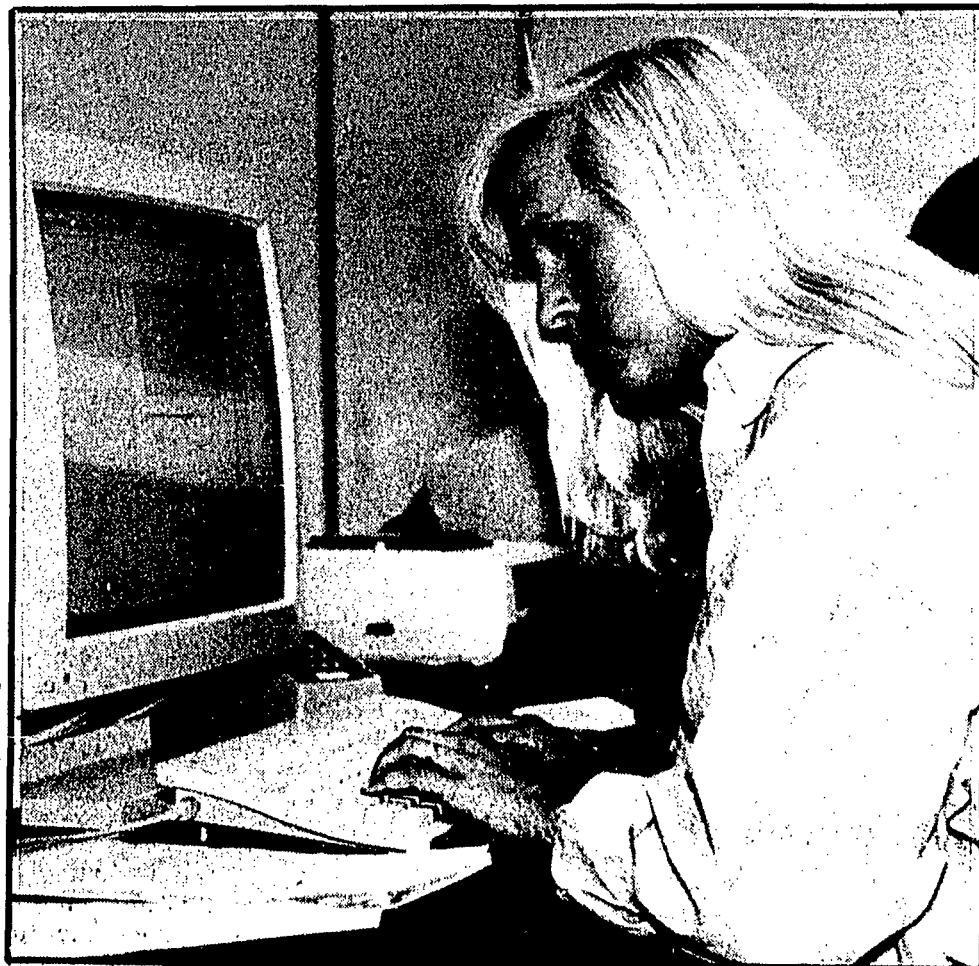
Aloha, my friends.

## Mac Fest

Monday, May 6 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.



See all the new  
Macintosh  
products under the  
Bell Tower.



FREE GIVE AWAYS!



UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL- Participants in the Life Savers relay held during the Greek Games last Thursday had to exchange a Life Savers candy via toothpicks held in their mouths. The Greek Games were a way to promote greek unity during Greek Week. (Photo by Amos Wong)

## Greeks rewarded for 'all they do'

by Tonya Reser  
Staff Writer

Greek Week came to a close Friday, April 26, with the competitive games. But first the Greeks held the annual awards ceremony on Thursday night at the University Conference Center.

Outstanding Fraternity and Sorority for the year went to Sigma Phi Epsilon and Sigma Sigma Sigma.

Troy Bair, representing Sigma Phi Epsilon, won the Outstanding Greek Male. Outstanding Fraternity President is Mark Gerling from Tau Kappa Epsilon.

The Phi Mus won both Outstanding Greek Female and Outstanding Sorority President. Shawn Linkey, co-chair for Greek Week, walked away with Outstanding Greek Female and Barb Meyer was named Outstanding Sorority President.

Alpha Sigma Alpha walked away with all four academic awards including Best Overall Grade Point Average, Most Improved GPA, Best Active GPA and Best Associate Member GPA.

In the fraternity division, Best Overall GPA and Associate Member GPA was given to the Alpha Gamma Rho. Delta Sigma

Phi earned the Best Active GPA award. No award was given for Most Improved GPA throughout the fraternities.

The Alpha Sigma Alpha won the overall competitive games, such as tug-of-war and canoe races, in the sorority division.

"We didn't have a lot of participation for the competitive games this year, we usually have more than that," Linkey said.

The Greek sing was divided into four categories -- most creative fraternity and sorority and most spirited fraternity and sorority. Alpha Sigma Alpha got most creative sorority for their song while Sigma Sigma Sigma got most spirited. Delta Chi got the most creative in the fraternity competition. Most spirited went to Alpha Phi Alpha, who sang and danced to their number.

The Phi Mus won the tricycle race, and Alpha Kappa Lambda won the chariot race.

Most Outstanding Greek Week Participation Awards went to Sigma Sigma Sigma and Alpha Kappa Lambda.

"Greek Week was very successful. People really respected the no alcohol policy. They weren't happy about it, but at least they respected it," Linkey said.



GETTIN' TWISTED- Members of University social fraternities attempt to outlast each other in a game of mass Twister Thursday afternoon. Greek Games included bat races, simon sez and an orange pass. (Photo by Don Carrick)

## Widmer elected CMA president

by Tonya Reser  
Staff Writer

Student Publications Adviser Laura Widmer was elected as College Media Advisers' new president effective Nov. 3. As president, Widmer will have many responsibilities that will effect college advisers across the country.



Widmer, now serving as CMA Laura Widmer vice president, has been a CMA member since 1983. She has also served as Yearbook Committee Chair. Her presidential term will last for two years.

Widmer's presidential duties will include presiding over the members' meetings, Board of Director's meetings and the advisory council's meetings; appointing other members to offices; and receiving input from other members to fulfill their needs as an organization.

According to Widmer, she will also act as liaison between the organization and other professional organizations.

She will preside over conventions in Denver, where she will be inducted Nov. 3, on the West Coast in February and the Columbia Scholastic Press Association Convention in March.

"It is going to be busy, but I am really looking forward to it," Widmer said.

CMA is the largest college press adviser association with member schools from all over the country and one from Canada.

"I am very honored that my peers selected me to lead this organization. It is a great privilege and I won't let them down," Widmer said.

John Jasinski, Mass Communication Instructor, is the only other faculty member from Northwest involved in the organization.

Widmer said this could get Northwest's programs out in the limelight a little, which is good.

## Student publications to celebrate awards

### Tower honored with one of only 8 Pacemakers given nationwide

by Traci Runyon  
Staff Writer

Members of Northwest's student publications will celebrate their award-winning year at a roast Thursday, May 9 at the Airport Community Center.

The 1990 Tower Yearbook was honored as one of only eight universities and colleges to win a Pacemaker award by the Associated Collegiate Press. This award places the Tower in the top one percent of all college yearbooks.

"It's exciting to be a part of the tradition of quality since this is the fourth Pacemaker," Cara Moore, publications assistant and editor in chief of the 1990 Tower, said. "It's not my Pacemaker just because I was editor, it's Northwest's."

The Pacemaker is awarded to those books considered trendsetters. Northwest competed against over 3,000 entries, including larger universities, to win the award. Other universities winning the award include Kansas State University, Arizona State University, Ball State University, Purdue University and the University of Arkansas.

"I'm very proud of the students and their work," Laura Widmer, student publications adviser, said. "Anytime you can rank nationally among schools so much bigger, it's something to be proud of."

In addition, individuals won Gold Circle Awards, given by the Columbia Press Association at Columbia University in New York. Jill Erickson placed second in feature writing, Sarah Frerking placed third in sports reporting, Stephanie Frey placed second for academic design, color spread design and endsheets, Todd Hollen placed first for academic photo and Brandon Russell received third place for feature photo.

The Tower was not the only student publication to be honored. The Northwest Missourian received 11 awards from the Missouri College Newspaper Association. Gene Morris received four awards, Joe Bowersox placed third in sports column writing, Pat Schurkamp received first place for feature page, Michelle Larson received third place for feature writing, Suzan Matherne placed first for feature page, second for photo page and third for front page design and Heather Newman placed third for front page design.

The 11 awards were up from five last year, and the Missourian plans to earn even more awards in the future.

"We plan to do even better next year and wipe up at the MCNA awards banquet," news editor Kathy Barnes, who will be next year's editor in chief, said.

Several Missourian staff members also won Gold Circle awards.

Don Carrick received second place for spot news photo and Newman and Matherne received a certificate of merit for front page design.

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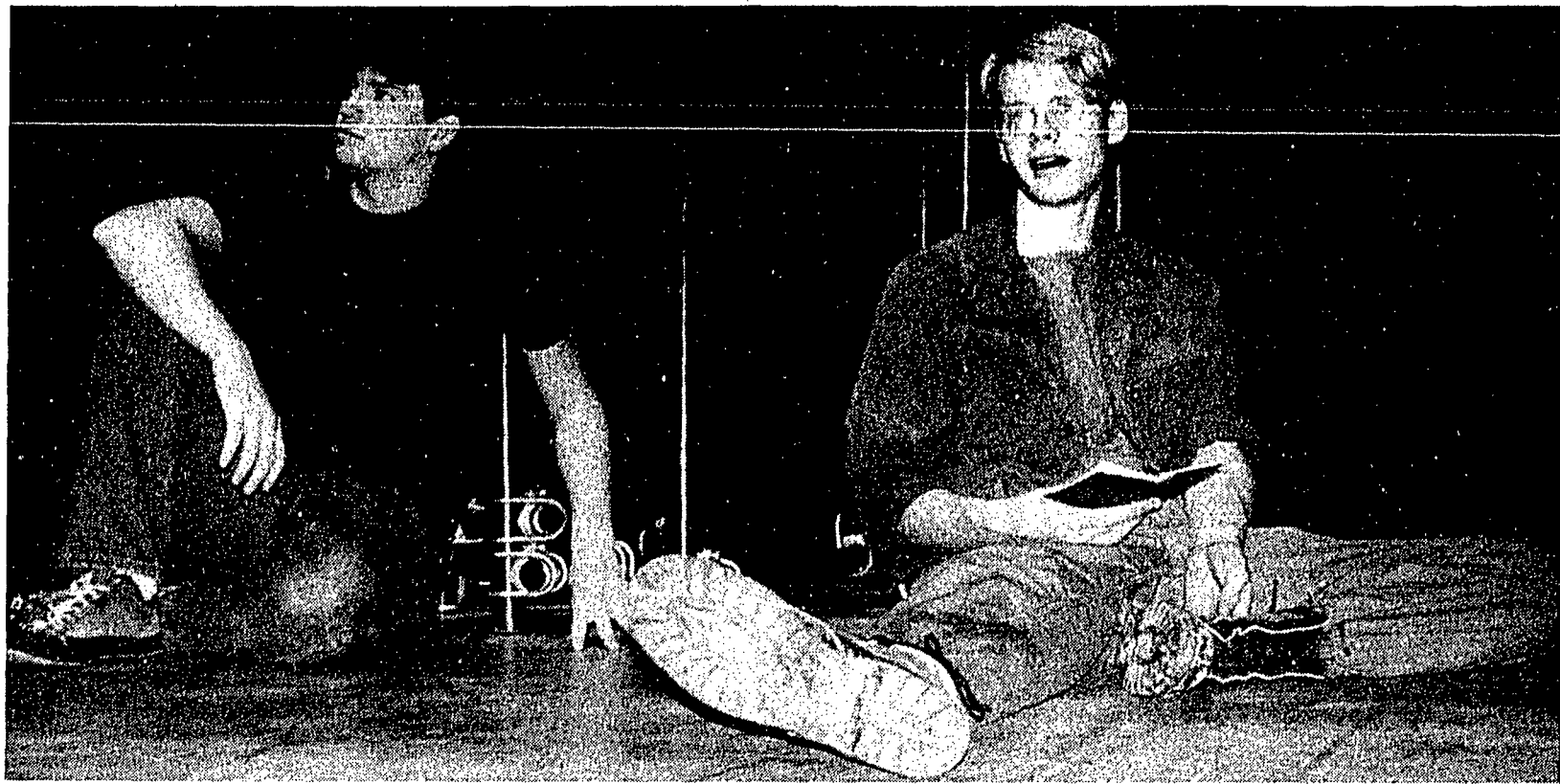
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## 'Summer Tree'



LETTERS FROM HOME—Kit Schenkel, who plays the part of a soldier in Summer Tree, reads a letter he received from home to Steve Schene. (Photo by Amos Wong)

## Phi Mu sponsors CMNT swim-a-thon

by Jill Erickson  
Staff Writer

Take a splash at 7:00 tonight in the Foster Aquatic Center where Northwest's Phi Mu Fraternity will hold its annual Swim-a-thon to raise money for their national philanthropy, the Children's Miracle Network Telethon (CMNT).

"We've been working to get this together since the end of March," Phi Mu's Philanthropy Chairman Mary Lynn Higginbotham said. "This is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year."

CMNT is a nationwide organization that generates funds for children at member hospitals through televised telethons that are aired on 160 network affiliated stations and 20 independent stations. The next CMNT telethon will be aired in the first week of June.

"Together we are letting the community, the college Administration, our families and potential rushers know that we take our creed seriously, to lend to those less fortunate a helping hand," National Social Service Chairman Gail Highland said.

Several community businesses have donated prizes and refreshments for the event on Thursday. Donations have come from McDonalds, Hy-Vee, Dominos, Dairy Queen, Student Health Services and Student Senate.

"The money that we raise here at Northwest goes to two specific hospitals, the University of Kansas Medical Center and the University of Missouri Hospital and Clinic," Higginbotham said.

Phi Mu adopted the national philanthropy in 1986, and has since raised \$1,580 for CMNT,

of hospitalized children and purchase of new equipment.

"I'm proud to be a part of something that helps so many people," chairman of donations, Tina Gaa, said.

Several organizations around campus are involved in raising money for CMNT. Nine teams have signed up to swim laps, including Sigma Phi Epsilon, Tau Kappa Epsilon, Mass Communication, Alpha Sigma Alpha, Bearcat Sweethearts, Alpha Kappa Lambda and Delta Zeta teams.

## Ashcroft: Governor returns for graduation

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t-shirt and a Bearcat hat, and she declared him an honorary member of the freshman class -- the class of '91.

Then she said, "We will expect you to return to this campus four years from now for your commencement ceremonies..."

One student who was at Ashcroft's initial speech, Michelle Larson, candidate for Bachelor of Science degree, said Ashcroft's commitment to speaking at her commencement was special.

"I think the most special thing about Ashcroft giving the commencement address is that I began college with him speaking four years ago and now I'm finishing with him as the speaker," she said. "That seems to signal things have come full circle."

## Y.O.U.: Seaman elected

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Seaman was also penalized for failing to inform his ticket that Residential Life Coordinator Wayne Viner had told Seaman door-to-door campaigning would not be allowed.

Vansaghi said the discrepancies were the first in three years, when the last contested Senate race was held. He added those discrepancies were not ruled valid enough to hold a meeting to discuss them.

In addition, since it had been several years, Vansaghi was uncertain of the exact procedures for the meeting.

"I don't think there was any way to prevent the problems," he said. "I just tried to use due process and let everyone have a fair shake and voice their opinions. I also wanted to make everything move as fast as possible."

Vansaghi, who knew before the meeting that taking away five percent of Seaman and Schug's votes would not effect the outcomes of their races, still had to

go through the procedures in case the voting members decided to discipline other members of the Y.O.U. ticket whose races were closer. "It was more of a judicial type of thing, which made it tough," Vansaghi said. "It went as well as it really could have gone, and I was impressed with the people in the room who were serious about the whole situation."

Seaman defeated Keith Winge, the current executive vice president, 352 to 271, despite losing 10 votes to the discrepancy.

"I think discrepancies are great," Seaman said. "Neutral parties make the decisions, so it's an important part of the election process and needs to stay, and everybody has a right to use it; that's democracy."

Winge, who had run with the U.S. ticket, said the discrepancy meeting went too long and the discrepancies were not worth the hassle.

Looking forward to next year, Seaman said he was ready to begin.

## Center: Plans feature planetarium, ice rink

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the seventh one built, and the first to be located on a college campus. The other six are located in Greenbelt, Md.; Houston, Texas; Tampa, Fla.; Dayton, Ohio; Richmond, Va.; and a new one opened in Bridgeport, Conn. last Tuesday.

The first Challenger Center was located in Houston, Texas, as a memorial to those killed in the Challenger disaster. It first went into operation in August of 1988.

Hubbard said Northwest's Learning Center will have four main uses. One use will be for students grades 6 through 12, as an in service teacher training for those teachers already teaching or to prepare Northwest's students in education and with the students on this campus.

Northwest has plans to eventually add a planetarium behind the Center sometime in the future. Hubbard also hopes to

build a stage on top of the planetarium, which will be at ground level. He eventually hopes to build an ice-skating rink on the Tundra for students to use in the winter and to bring hockey teams to compete on campus.

Hubbard said the reason the Centers are focused toward elementary students is because the demand has been so overwhelming. "It is not because high school students or college students wouldn't benefit from the experience and enjoy it and really get into it," Hubbard said. "We know that students go into the sixth grade generally liking science and math and come out of the eighth grade turned off," he added.

Hubbard hopes that funding will allow remodeling to begin soon. "Our goal is to have this in this fall sometime so that it would be installed and operating by October 1," Hubbard said.

## Campus-wide recycling program to begin

by Kristi Madison  
Staff Writer

A two-phase, campus-wide recycling program will begin May 6. Phase one will involve faculty and staff, and phase two, which is planned to begin in June, will add student participation.

During the past year, enthusiasm for collecting paper products and aluminum cans seemed to disintegrate, as soda cans and computer paper began to creep back into trash cans and stacks of yellow, polyurethane collection bags lay unused in Central Stores.

To combat this problem, Vice President of Applied Research Dr. Robert Bush has organized a committee to implement a program that will supply recycling bins, made from recycled plastic, to every office in every building on campus, except the residence halls. Those who choose to participate in the

program will be supplied with a list of paper products to be collected in the bins. This list includes newspapers and computer paper, among other products which previously have been thrown away.

A service vehicle will be available at appointed times to pick up full bins at each building and to provide empty replacement bins. A university trailer will store up to 40 bins of this paper before transporting it to Smurfet Recycling Company in Kansas City, Kan. This company was chosen due to their price paid per ton of material.

"I personally don't think that there's any money to be made off of it," Director of Purchasing Wanda Auffert said. "But it could be a break even."

She explained that the University is not only recycling materials, but is also using more recycled products. In fi-

cal year '90-'91, Central Stores spent \$89,998.65 on recycled products, such as envelopes, wastebaskets and memo paper, compared to \$34,458.51 in '89-'90. She said that in compliance with state law, purchasing chooses recycled products before similar products made from virgin materials if the quality is comparable and the price deviation is no more than 10 percent.

"There's no way we're going to make any percentages that we are mandated here by law to make, if we don't start getting [recycled products] into Central Stores and getting them out to the departments," Auffert said. "We have to force a demand on the market. In time, as there's more usage out there of products made from recycled materials, the price will start going down."

Once phase one is in effect and the kinks are worked out

of the system, phase two will begin. By June, the project will include the residence halls, allowing students to participate.

According to John Holcombe, Student Senate vice president of environmental affairs, a plan should be developed in the next couple of weeks that will not only provide halls with recycling bins, but also can crushers and bags.

"Eventually the program will pay for itself and put money back into the University," Holcombe said.

At present, many students collect aluminum cans as fundraising projects. Whether they will be willing to begin collecting for the University was a point of speculation.

"It doesn't matter, as long as they're recycling," Auffert said. Aluminum cans collected throughout campus are now being taken to NOCOMO Industries.

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## AROUND the tower

### Photo exhibit on display

Photographs from the best college and university photographers in the nation will be on display at Northwest in early May.

The College Photographer of the Year (CPOY) exhibition will be on display in the DeLuce Gallery. The exhibit will be open from 1-4 p.m., Monday, May 6, through Friday, May 10.

The CPOY competition is conducted annually to help young photographers evaluate their abilities as visual communicators and compare their work with that of their peers. The exhibit features 52 black and white and color photographs, which were chosen from more than 6000 images.

### Musical groups to perform

This Sunday, two very different musical groups will each present a concert at Northwest.

At 3 p.m., Sunday, May 5, the University Symphonic Band and the University Chorale will share the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center stage. There is no admission charge for the show.

The Symphonic Band is under the direction of Al Sergel, associate professor of music, while the University Chorale is directed by Byron Mitchell, assistant professor of music.

### CAPs brings 'Home Alone' to campus

The hit movie "Home Alone" will be presented 7:30 p.m. tonight, May 2, in the Dugout, located on the first floor of the Union.

The show will be repeated at the same time, Friday and Saturday, May 3-4, in the same location. Admission is \$2 per person with tickets available at the door.

## PEACE in the Gulf

### Those in buffer zone flown to Saudi camp

(USA Today) KUWAIT CITY — The first of several thousand Iraqi refugees — some shouting "Bush, Bush" — were flown to a Saudi Arabian refugee camp Sunday for their protection. Officials say 339 refugees, including dozens of barefoot children carrying water bottles and military food rations, were flown on five U.S. military flights to Rafha, Saudi Arabia.

The flights came as a result of concerns expressed by U.N. officials who said they could not guarantee their safety in the zone between Kuwait and Iraq.

### Rebels told not to block refugees

(St. Joseph News-Press/Gazette) ZAKHO, Iraq — Allied forces have demanded that Iraqi Kurdish guerrillas stop extorting money from Kurdish refugees and let them return home, senior U.S. officials said Monday.

The first Kurdish family arrived Monday in the U.S.-built camp outside Zakho, joining 576 Kurdish men already there. U.S. commanders said they expect refugees to start arriving in large numbers this week.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said Monday in Washington that the U.S.-led effort to aid Kurdish refugees has "turned the corner in terms of the food situation" after "saving the lives of perhaps thousands of people."

### Tourism expected to receive a boost

(St. Joseph News-Press/Gazette) NEW YORK — The Gulf War brought international tourism to a virtual standstill, but the federal government evidently thinks the U.S. military success has made foreigners more interested in visiting America.

The war showed the United States to be the "No. 1 power in the world," so "more and more people want to come to the United States," Deputy Secretary of Commerce Rockwell A. Schnabel said Monday as the government announced it had teamed with the American Express Co. in an effort to lure more overseas tourists.

### Chordbusters to present spring show, lead audience through the holidays

The Chordbusters babershop quartet will present its annual spring show at 8 p.m. tonight, May 2, in Charles Johnson Theatre. The concert, "Holiday Highlights in Harmony," will lead the audience through a year full of holidays.

Dr. Patricia Bowers Schultz, associate professor of music and the group's director, has researched the history of each holiday and will share some little-known facts of the special days and their attached customs.

Members include Kyle Gordon, lead; Jeff Gillahan, tenor; Rick Henkel, bass; and Mark Pettit, baritone.

### Pi Omega Pi named 'Top Ten' chapter for second consecutive year

Northwest's Beta chapter of Pi Omega Pi was recently named a "Top Ten" chapter of the national business education teacher honor society.

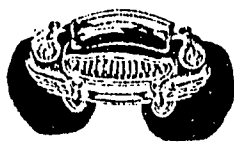
Northwest placed sixth with 144 points out of a possible 161. The group was one of 64 Omega Pi chapters which entered the competition.

Project reports submitted by Northwest to the National Chapter Award Competition were activities and projects completed by the Beta chapter throughout the year. Articles which were submitted to the national publication were also included.

This is the second consecutive year the Beta chapter has been named a "Top Ten" Pi Omega Pi chapter.

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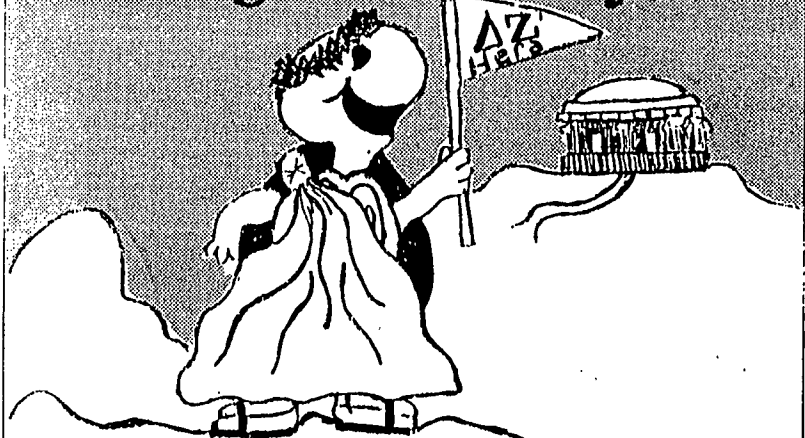
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## Men's outdoor team runs into 2nd place

Onuagulchi wins MIAA point total award

by Dale Brown  
Staff Writer

Although the Northwest men's track and field team put forth one of its best outings of the season last weekend, the Bearcats still came up short of a Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association title.

That distinction went to Southeast Missouri State as the Indians used a strong second day in the running events to tally 138 points. Northwest, which had a strong lead following the opening day of field events, ran a close second with a 124.5 point total. Central followed in third with 115 while Pittsburg State (98.5), Northeast Missouri (76), Missouri Southern (36), Lincoln (24), Missouri-Rolla (23) and Southwest Baptist (16) rounded out the field.

"I thought we got a super effort out of the throwers," Northwest Coach Richard Alsop said. "We felt confident after the first day, but didn't place in some events (the second day) that I thought we could have picked up points in. That was due to injuries and some illnesses."

The Bearcats looked to be strong contenders in both the 5,000 meter run and the 3,000 meter steeplechase. However, injuries to all-American Robb Fine-

gan in the 5,000 meters, combined with other Northwest runners failing to place, resulted in zero points.

"I thought we had a shot at it (the title) after the first day," Mark Keith Lemons said. "Overall we performed well as a team, but it seemed Southeast was just solid in the events."

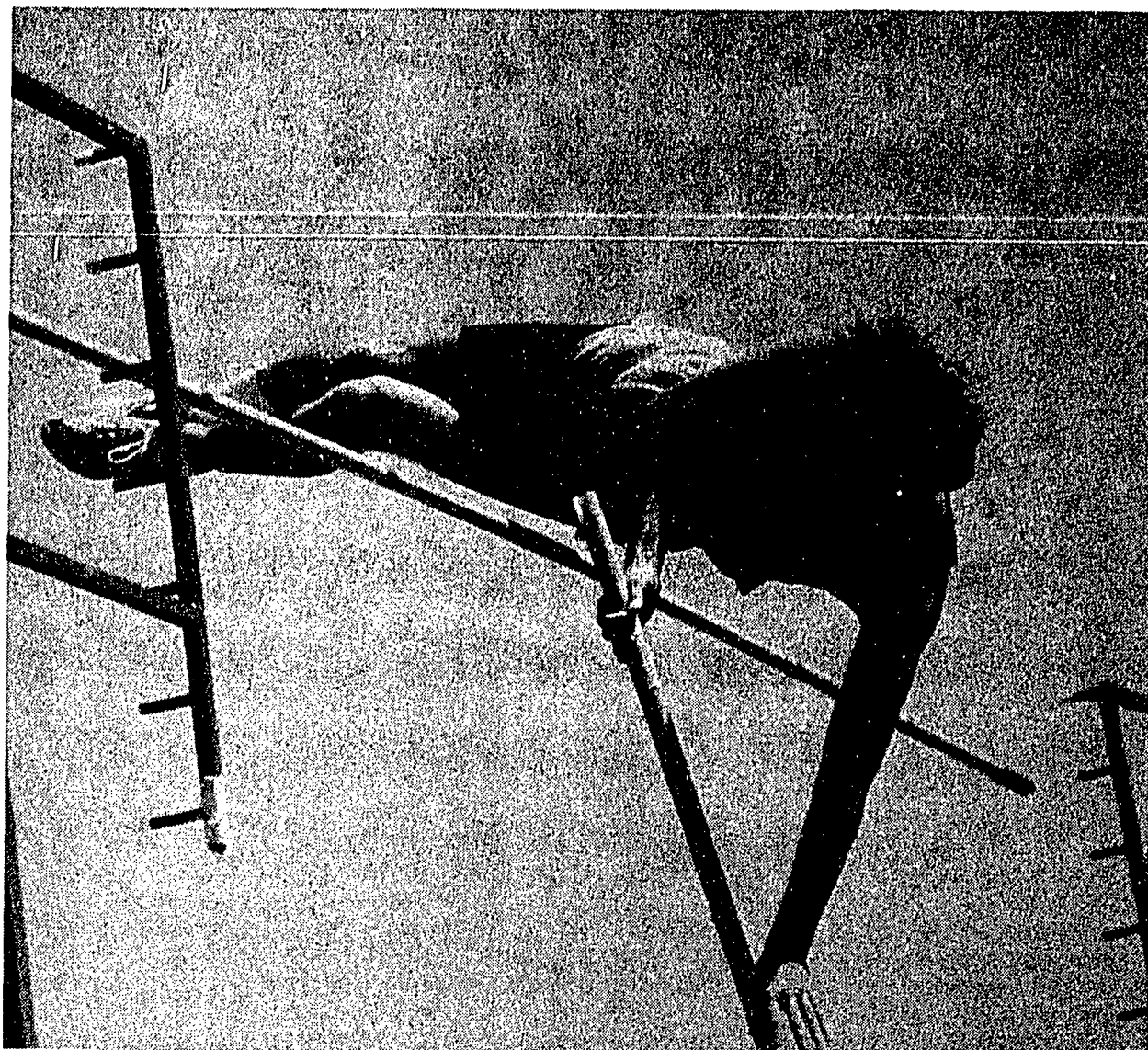
Indeed the Bearcats fared well in the majority of the first day events. Senior thrower Ken Onuagulchi garnered the meet's high point award with gold medal performances in the javelin (208'1"), discus (171'3") and 3rd-place throw in the shot put (51'9 1/4").

Robb Kellogg recorded a 1st-place finish in the hammer throw (167'2") while also taking 5th in the javelin (162'4").

Other placers in the field events included Jeff Thompson, 4th in the discus with a toss of (152') and 3rd in the hammer throw (150'6").

Terry Karn, 2nd in the high jump (6'7") and 3rd in the long jump (23'5") and Kenny Peek, 2nd in the discus (157'5").

The running events proved to be a slightly different scenario. Although placing high in some races, Northwest found fractions of seconds adding up to lost points. One such case was, 800



UP AND OVER-Not quite getting over the bar, Lee Erickson misses his final jump in the pole vault competition. The Bearcats placed second in the MIAA Track Championships last weekend. (Photo by Scott Jensen)

meter runner Ron Perkins, whose 4th-place clocking of 1:54.59 was only .54 of a second out of first place.

"I made a few mistakes in the race that were costly," Perkins said. "I took out too slow and ended up getting boxed in a few times. When the race came down

to the final sprint, I was out of position and they outran me."

The Bearcats did record strong finishes in many other events and relays. Kendrick Sealy and Finegan placed 3rd and 5th in the 10,000 meter run while the 4x100 and 4x400 meter relay teams took 3rd.

"I'm proud of the kids and thought most of them gave an outstanding effort," Alsop said. "I think when it comes down to it, we have a lot of good athletes that overachieve and sometimes accomplish great things. Southeast seems to just have thoroughbreds year in and out."

## Bearkittens finish 6th in conference meet

by Kenrick Sealy  
Staff Writer

The MIAA Track & Field Championships came to a close on Saturday with the Northwest Missouri Bearkittens track team finishing with a 6th-place finish in the team standings at Rickenbrode Stadium.

The conference title went to Pittsburg State for the second straight year with a total of 209 points to distance themselves from 2nd place Southeast Missouri (152) and 3rd place (80) Northeast Missouri.

Other team scorings were Central Missouri (48) 4th, Missouri Southern (40) 5th, followed by Northwest (25), Lincoln (22) 7th, Missouri-Rolla (11) 8th and Southwest Baptist who failed to accumulate a single point for last position.

"I had expectations that we should have done much better," Northwest Coach Charlene Cline said. "The overall field eventers did a great job. The efforts and the hard work from the team was okay."

Northwest's top performance came from Diane Cummings who placed 4th in the long jump with a leap of 17'11 3/4", 4th in the triple jump (36'5") and 6th in the high jump with a clearance of 5'1/2".

"I thought I jumped really well in the long jump and the triple jump, but I haven't been jumping well lately in the high jump," Cummings said. "I haven't been practicing well. Just not feeling together."

Jennifer Holdiman tossed her seasonal best in the shot put with a 4th-place throw of 41'6 1/2".

"It is a good way to end off the season, with a peak," Holdiman said.

Other Bearkitten performances included Stephanie Johnson who amassed 3,490 points to place 4th in the heptathlon. Shelly Keith took 6th in the 100m hurdles (16.77sec.); Melissa Smith, 5th in the long jump (17'2 3/4"). Amy Nance claimed 6th in the triple jump (34'8 1/2") and the mile relay team was 5th with a time of 4:17.9.

The conference championships were run over a two day period (April 26-27) with most of the finals contested on the (Saturday) final day. The meet was threatened by gusting winds and overcast skies, but didn't affect the many track records that were set in the sprint events.

The 'Kittens' Diane Cummings is the lone athlete who has qualified provisionally for NCAA Division II Outdoor Championships



HERE WE COME-Just behind the leaders in the 800 meter dash trials, Kim O'Riley and Lisa McDermott pick up their pace to qualify. The Bearkittens took sixth at the MIAA Track Championships. (Photo by Scott Jensen)

in San Angelo, Tex., on May 23-25 with her indoor performance of 5'7" in the high jump at the Iowa State Indoor Invitionals in the just concluded indoor season.

Cummings will try to improve on that mark at the Nebraska Twilight Meet in Lincoln, Neb., which is scheduled for Saturday, May 11.

## Cowboy duo finishes strong at Fort Hays

by Bill Hackett  
Staff Writer

Bearcat team roper Dave Cannon and bulldogger Clint Hamaker captured 1st and 2nd place at the Fort Hays Rodeo over the weekend in Hays, Kan.

The field of competition in the team roping event consisted of 90 teams. Cannon teamed with Steve Cutshaw of Kansas State in the long round preliminary and placed with a time of 7.3 seconds, qualifying him for the short round competition. Cannon then teamed with Steve Crow of Fort Hays to combine for a 7.3 second 1st-place finish.

"You always expect to do well, but you don't initially think you'll win," Cannon said.

Doing the duties for the 'Cats in the bulldog event was Clint Hamaker who placed in the long round with a time of 5.6 seconds which advanced him to the short round. Hamaker turned it up a notch in the short round as he bulldogged his way to a five second finishing time, earning him 2nd place in the competition.

Coach Dave Sherry, who was not in attendance, said both Cannon and Hamaker competed well.

## KC Comets one away from goal

Series tied with Crunch

by Tonya Reser  
Staff Writer

The Kansas City Comets are playing in the Eastern Division playoffs against the Cleveland Crunch. They swept the semi-playoffs series against Wichita in two games. They are now 3-3 in the best-of-seven series against Cleveland.

This series has come down to the last game after the Comets victory last night, 8-6 in Cleveland. The last game will be Saturday in Cleveland at 6:35 p.m. and will decide who goes on to battle the San Diego Sockers, the Western Division champs, in the championship series.

The Sockers beat the St. Louis Storm four games to one in their division finals.

Although, the Comets have made it to the playoffs seven times, they have never made it to the championship series before. This is the Comets third divisional final in four years.

Goalie Jim Gorsek got the Comets first shutout in a playoff series in game one against Wichita on April 12 with a score of 6-0. Forward Ted Eck scored the first playoff goal for the Comets in that game.

The Comets lost their first two games at Cleveland. They then brought the series to Kansas City where they won game three in overtime, but lost the game four with four seconds remaining, and then turned things around and won the game five in overtime when Eck deflected in a shot from forward Jan Goossens to win the game, 5-4.

The Comets have had a rewarding season this year. Goossens broke the Comet's record for most points, assists and goals. Forward Paul Peschisolido was voted MSL's Newcomer of the Year, and forward David Doyle has recovered from a broken leg that had him out for half the season.


Doyle has scored 11 goals in the playoffs this year, which leads the team in playoff goals, three of those being power play goals.

The Newcomer of the Year award is presented annually to the most outstanding rookie that has played in another professional league. Peschisolido, age 19, is the youngest player in the MSL. He has 35 points with 24 goals and 11 assists.

The Comets are at full power except for midfielder Doug McLagan, who is undergoing medical treatment for a sprained right ankle. Gossens did sit out of game two against the Crunch because of a pinched nerve in his back. He is starting for the Comets, again.

The Comets have been in Kansas City for 10 seasons. Gino Schiraldi is the only original player. The Comets are now 7-3 in overtime playoff history.

If the Comets win this series, they will be the second team in the MSL history, Dallas Sidekicks were the first, to win a playoff series after a 2-0 start.



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# Orellana, Pekar on to nationals

de Anda earns Sportsman of the Year

by Gene Morris  
Managing Editor

Lucho Orellana and Rob Pekar are on their way to the nationals for the second year in a row while the Bearcats finished 2nd in conference for the 4th straight time, while Lalo de Anda made the elite group for the first time this season.

Orellana, Pekar and de Anda all qualified for the nationals in their respective singles brackets. Orellana and Pekar also qualified for nationals in doubles competition. The conference selected de Anda as Sportsman of the Year.

Bearcat Tennis Coach Mark Rosewell was also named the MIAA's Coach of the Year for the fourth time. The Bearcats are 109-29 under his direction and have finished first or second in the conference the past five seasons.

"It's always a nice honor," Rosewell said. "It is something that I am very proud of."

Orellana won the conference title at number one singles with victories over Washburn's Dave Price and Southwest Baptist's Rob Littlefield. He also teamed up with Rob Pekar to capture the doubles title as well.

Orellana and Pekar had a battle in their match against Southwest Baptist's Littlefield and Alex Locke. The two took the first set 6-4, but dropped the second 4-6. The final set of the match went back and forth before Pekar and Orellana pulled out a 7-6 set and match victory. They knocked off Washburn in the finals in straight sets by identical scores of 6-4.

"Not many people expected it," Orellana said of his conference title at number one singles. "The first time I played Littlefield at home and had a great match. Playing him in the conference

championship I played great tennis and was able to beat him in two sets. It was an exciting match with all of my teammates watching and cheering me on.

"I would like to make it to All-American status at singles and doubles," he said. "We beat Southwest Baptist and they are number five in the nation, so I am pretty excited about our chances."

Pekar would like to see things go a little differently at the nationals, for the two this year.

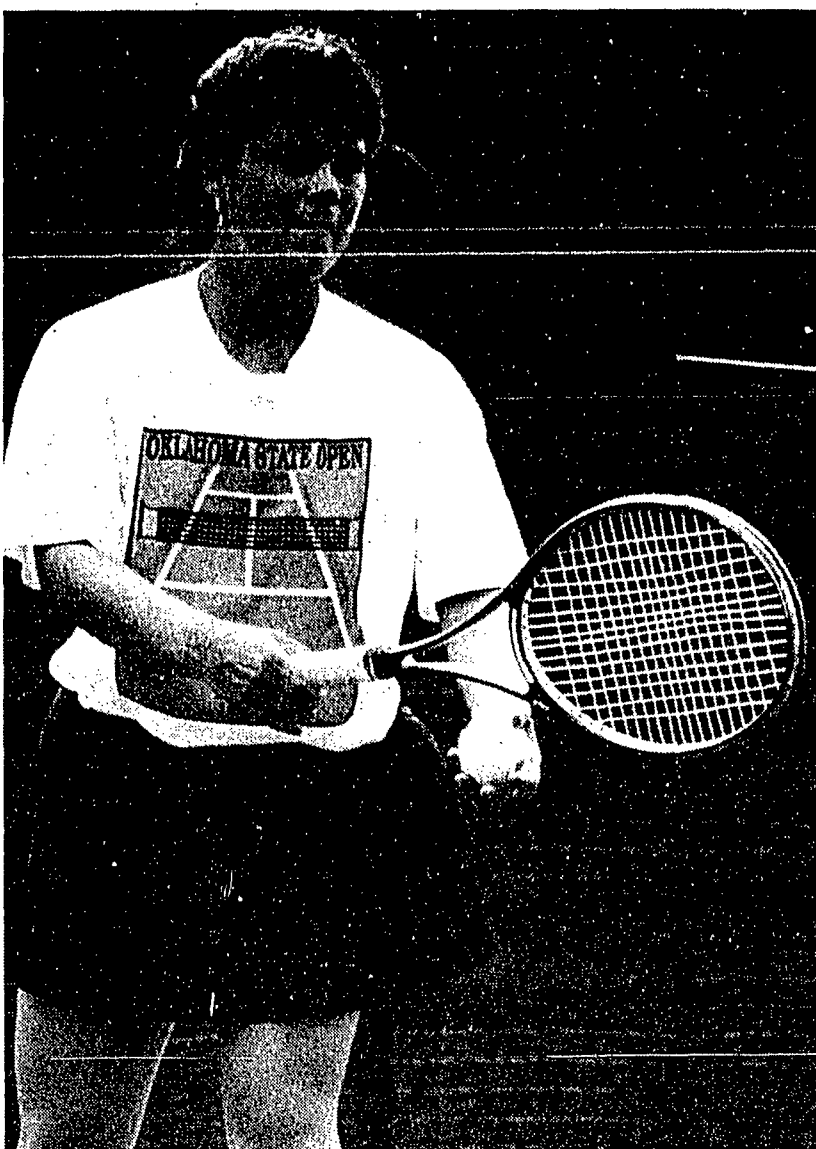
"It's hopefully going to be a better experience than it was last year," Pekar said. "I will be better prepared this time around. It's our last year, and it's kind of a scary feeling to know it is all going to end, but this is definitely a nice way to go out."

Changes are a part of life," he said. "I'll still play tennis, but I will miss the competition. It has been a big part of my life for the past 12 years."

Pekar, Lalo De Anda, Mike Shane and Bill Bobo finished 2nd in the conference at their perspective singles positions. Bobo and Dana Carlson also teamed up to finish 2nd at number three doubles. The two were 12-3 on the season.

Pekar and de Anda's performance earned them a trip to the nationals. Pekar earned the honor with a 2nd-place finish at number three singles in the conference while de Anda earned the trip with a 2nd-place finish at number two singles.

The Bearkittens finished 6th in the conference with Erin Schlegel and Kelly Smith teaming up for a 3rd-place finish. The two finished the season with a 16-6 record at number two doubles. No other Bearkittens finished as high as 3rd in the conference.



SERVE IT UP—Preparing for a serve, Bearkitten Julie Caputo checks out her opponent for position. Caputo was named number one singles player her freshman year. (Photo by Amos Wong)

## Freshman standout deals with limelight pressures

by Gene Morris  
Managing Editor

Talk about handling pressure extremely well and Julie Caputo's name has to come up.

Caputo is playing her freshman season at number one singles for the Bearkittens. The pressure and prestige of a spot normally reserved for third and fourth year players was given to her on day one.

The Bearkittens would have liked to play Caputo at number two singles this season, but an injury to nationally-ranked Julie Callahan forced Caputo to grow up in a hurry.

"There is a lot of pressure there to do well, but I try to have fun with it," Caputo said. "I realize I am just a freshman and have three more years left here."

"I go out there and try to do my best every time and I think my teammates know that," she said. "Every time I play I want to do better than I did the day before."

"She has had a hard road to go this year with our number one player being out," Bearkitten's Coach Mark Rosewell said. "I think she has played extremely well this season."

The challenge to perform well has not gone unanswered by Caputo. She was 12-8 at the top spot for the Bearkittens this season. She also teamed up Mitzi Craft for a 10-8 record at number one doubles.

According to Caputo, tennis had been a way of life since being introduced to the sport.

"I started playing and they couldn't get the racket out of my hands," she said. "I just wanted to play all of the time and never really wanted to come off the court."

"I owe a lot to my dad," Caputo said. "He is the one who got me started in tennis. I like to play tennis for him. Both of my parents have been very supportive."

## Softball team knocked out of tourney

by Joe Bowersox  
Sports Editor

The Northwest Missouri State softball team dropped a pair of games to nationally-ranked opponents during last Friday's MIAA softball tourney.

The Bearkittens were throttled by 20th-ranked Southeast Missouri State, 10-0, in less than 5 innings.

SEMO gathered its runs in bunches, as they scored four runs in the second and third innings, and an additional two to win the game in the fourth. The game was stopped by the seven-after-five rule.

Northwest failed to advance a runner past second base against SEMO's all-MIAA pitcher, Alice Marler.

Stephanie Marquardt watched her record fall to 6-11, as she allowed 4 earned runs.

The Kittens were knocked out of the tournament by Central Missouri State's three-run sixth inning, which gave Central all the runs they needed to get past Northwest, 4-3.

After the sixth-inning spurge, CMSU's pitcher slammed the door on the Kittens by retiring them in order in the final two at bats.

Lisa Kenkel, Kim Koski and Nancy Kluba supported the Kittens offensively with 2-3 hitting a piece. Julie Hanna was the losing pitcher for the Bearkittens.

Bearkitten center fielder Lori

Littleton earned first team all-North Division and second team all-MIAA honors this season. Kenkel and Rhonda Eustice were named honorable mention all-MIAA.

Bearkitten Softball		
Player	Games	Average
Kenkel	40	.297
Littleton	40	.288
Blankenau*	8	.278
Marquardt*	8	.263
Armstrong	32	.253
Schiager	39	.226
*Denotes pitchers		

MIAA North Division		
Final League Standings		
1. Central	9 - 1, 35 - 13	
2. Washburn	7 - 3, 24 - 17	
3. Northwest	5 - 5, 14 - 24	
4. Mo. West	4 - 6, 20 - 20	
5. Northeast	4 - 6, 12 - 25	
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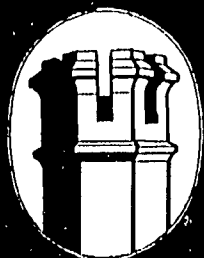
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# CAMPUS LIFE

## Breaking



## into the 'real world'

by Gene Morris  
Managing Editor

College graduates know the hard work they have put into getting their diplomas, but many might not realize just what it means. For the average college graduate, the degree means that during their lifetime they will earn about \$300,000 more than people without a college degree. The average college graduate will make \$9,000 more during their first year of employment and by the time they are 45 that will increase to about \$16,000.

"Going to college is not a casual decision anymore, but it is a necessity," President Dean Hubbard said. "There is no question about the importance of a college education. People without a degree are three times more likely to be unemployed."

There are also a lot of non-monetary benefits for the individual and the community. According to "Investment in Learning," by Howard Bowen, a professor of economics and education at Claremont Graduate School, the monetary return is sufficient to cover the cost of college, but there are also more significant benefits which helps the individual as well as the community.

He maintains that college graduates in general are more satisfied with their jobs than are less-educated workers. College graduates are also more likely to vote and participate in political and civic organizations.

They own and read more books and also attend more motion pictures. They are less likely to consider their life dull or routine. They save more of their income and are more tolerant and understanding of others.

Women who have been to college are more likely to be in the labor force, and college graduates in general are more likely to approve of women working. Husbands who have been to college are more likely to work around the house.

College graduates are probably better able to cope with the growing complexities that confront Americans these days. One study found that each

year of post-secondary education adds about one hour to the average work week. College graduates also enjoy better health, and on the average, live longer than non-graduates.

According to the American Almanac of Jobs and Salaries, retail sales is the only sector expected to generate more than one million jobs.

The number of job openings for college graduates is expected to increase by 24.5 million by the year 2000 or an average of 1.75 million per year, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The starting salaries for college graduates varies, depending on the curriculum. The average broadcasting graduate will have a starting salary of \$17,000 while the average journalism graduate will start at about \$20,000.

The average accounting graduate will start at about \$25,000 while the average computer graduate will start at over \$30,000. Students graduating with degrees in agribusiness and geology will start at \$23,000. Those with degrees in special education will start at \$20,000, while people with degrees in psychology will begin at \$21,000.

According to several seniors, the education at Northwest has more than sufficiently prepared graduates for entering the job market.

"I think Northwest has more than adequately prepared me for the marketing field," Kent Barthol said. "I was able to take what I learned in classes and directly apply it in the field."

"I was fortunate in that my summer employment in marketing/sales led to a full-time position after graduation," he said. "I plan on donating my first paycheck to 'Friends at the Zoo,' in support of Kansas City's Zoo."

Senior broadcasting major Rich Hamilton said, "As far as the education goes, it is probably as good as I could have hoped to get. This is probably the best place I could have been for broadcasting."

Northwest graduates are not left on their own trying to find a job unless they choose to do so. The University's Office of Career Services can do a lot of things to help graduates and alumni enter the job market.

Many seniors and alumni take advantage of the Office of Career Services credential file. A credential file is a set of papers which describes the individual to their prospective employers. The papers include a front "resume

like" form, three to six references, and if the individual chooses, it will also contain an unofficial copy of their Northwest Missouri State University transcript.

The credential files are sent to perspective employers who have contacted the Office of Career Services and requested names of candidates with specific qualifications.

The files are helpful, even to graduating seniors who have already secured a job. The file, even if not needed at the point of graduation, is retained for future use. The Office of Career Services has credential files dating back to 1917. A credential file is expected and appreciated during on-campus interviews and also by school superintendents.

Students can begin their credential file during the year of their graduation and any time after that. It is never too late to start a credential file.

Credential files have been completed by 486 seniors this year and a total of 1,665 alumni and new graduates have taken the time to create a file.

While the credential files can only be started by seniors, the office of Career Services can be used by all students. There are resource materials which can assist all students. The office has over 900 company and organizational files that can be used for research or during the job interview itself. There are also files on internships, school districts and the government.

Another helpful service the office has is its career library with books on nearly every field imaginable. Some of the resources include CPC Journals, job bank books, Chamber of Commerce listings, Occupational Outlook Handbook and ASCUS Journals. The office buys new books for the library each year.

The Office of Career Services has career days planned in the fall and spring. They also hold Teacher Placement Day in the spring.

Something brand new that the office obtained is the National Employment Wire Service. The service is a computerized job listing of over 400 companies offering full, part-time and internship positions.

A college degree is a giant step in the right direction for entering the ever increasing technological workforce, but graduates should also utilize the resources they have at their disposal.



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